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SUBJECT: WITHDRAWAL FROM THE ILO

1. AS MISSIONS AWARE, DEPT HAS BEEN CONSIDERING FOR SEVERAL MONTHS AFL-CIO PRESIDENT MEANY'S REQUEST (BASED ON HIS REACTION TO ILO'S GRANTING PLO OBSERVER STATUS IN JUNE) THAT USG GIVE NOTICE OF INTENT TO WITHDRAW FROM ILO. OUR PRIMARY CONCERN IS REALIZATION THAT IF AFL-CIO REFUSES PARTICIPATE IN TRIPARTITE ORGANIZATION, USEFULNESS OF CONTINUED PARTICIPATION BY USG OR BY EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVES HIGHLY QUESTIONABLE. SUBSIDIARY CONSIDERATION IS MEANY'S INSISTENCE THAT UNTIL LETTER OF INTENT IS SENT, CONGRESS SHOULD WITHHOLD FUNDS NECESSARY TO PAY OUR LEGAL ASSESSMENTS (THIS WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF OUR INTERNATIONAL LEGAL OBLIGATION AND EVENTUALLY COULD LEAD TO OUR LOSING VOTING RIGHTS). ON THE OTHER HAND, SENDING LETTER OF INTENT DOES NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THAT TWO YEARS

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FROM NOW WE WOULD ACTUALLY WITHDRAW.

2. DEPT NEEDS BY COB OCT 7 YOUR VIEWS AS TO PROBABLE REACTION OF FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS TO OUR SENDING LETTER OF INTENT. HOW WOULD GOVERNMENTS INTERPRET OUR ACTION, REGARDLESS OF ANY EXPLANATION WE MIGHT GIVE ABOUT DEFICIENCIES IN THE ILO? OF PARTICULAR INTEREST ARE PROBABLE REACTIONS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, IN VIEW OF THE

WHOLE THRUST OF OUR EFFORTS AT THE UN SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION.

3. RESPONSE SHOULD BE MISSIONS' OWN VIEWS, AND NO REPEAT NO CONSULTATION WITH OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS OR FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS SHOULD BE INITIATED. KISSINGER

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